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**Sent:** Wed 5/6/2009 6:55:22 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Neutral facilitator at the Diamond Alkali (Passaic River) Superfund site

David

Sorry for the delay in responding. We felt that Doug's technical background would be very helpful to the process and the way he described how he can make the Superfund process more accessible to the community. Thank you for your assistance with this, it is much appreciated, Debbie

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Have you hugged an oyster today?

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Carol & Debbie: Could either/both reply with a couple sentences explaining your rationale? I am headed to Montclair now, Leann, I hope to send you something tomorrow morning if you don't hear back directly from Carol and/or Debbie. Thanks.

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Dave,

Glad to hear you made a decision. I can notify Doug immediately. I will get back to you when I find out when he will contact you. After he contacts you, you can continue to work with him directly.

Whenever we announce facilitator selection, we typically receive requests, from those who were not selected, asking why the facilitator was chosen. It would be helpful if you could provide a brief (a couple of sentences) explanation/reasoning as to why you (the collective you) selected Doug.

I will be in touch.

Thanks,  
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Lee-Ann:

Hi. Thank you for the opportunity to review the top three candidates who applied to the solicitation for neutral facilitator at the Diamond Alkali (Passaic River) Superfund site. Debbie Mans (NY/NJ Baykeeper) and Carol Johnston (Ironbound Community Corporation), both of which are copied on this email, reviewed the proposals, conducted telephone

interviews with two of the three candidates and are recommending to EPA the following person to serve as facilitator:

Doug Sarno  
The Perspectives Group, Alexandria, Virginia

EPA-Region 2 concurs with their selection.

Please advise as to next steps and timing on finalizing details with Doug Sarno. Thanks for your assistance, and Debbie and Carol, thanks for your time and efforts in this review process.

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